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Crime Stats

The year ending 2005 stats are complete which includes 8 Index Crime categories that are submitted nationally. We have noted a significant decrease in burglaries and thefts, along with an increase in murder and reported rapes. Lafayette has fared well among the safest cities in the United States. The men and women of the Lafayette Police Department are committed to providing dedicated service to the citizens of this great city, along with a continual effort of building partnerships that will foster positive achievement. The entire department has been reorganized with a new program COMSTAT, focusing on crime, having the ability to identify, detect, adjust, and formulate strategies to combat incidents. We are 2-months into the program and have already noted a significant impact. Our goals are clear with a determinant

objective, riding Lafayette of crime. The below listing identify the total number of reported year ending incidents.

	2003	2004	2005
Murder	8	5	10
Rape	96	86	91
Robbery	181	163	141
Assault	2,787	2,696	2,637
Burglary	1,303	1,332	1,125
Theft	5,100	5,546	4,688
Auto Theft	493	405	420
Arson	24	28	30